# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 17 Sep 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 18 Sep 2020

Forecast Issued on Thursday 17 Sep 2020 at 03:37 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for mostly dry, settled weather over the next 5 days.

**Headline for Thursday 17 Sep 2020:** Dry with sunny spells. Cloudier towards west coast.

**Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 17 Sep 2020**

**Blizzards**
No Likelihood

**Heavy Snow**
No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**
No Likelihood

**Gales**
No Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**
No Likelihood

**Poor visibility**
No Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**
No Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**
Medium Likelihood

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | |
| 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | |
| Sunny intervals | Sunny | Sunny | Sunny | Sunny intervals | Clear night |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | |
| <05% | <05% | <05% | <05% | <05% | <05% |

**Forecast for Thursday 17 Sep 2020**

**Weather:** A chilly start in the glens with any fog patches soon dispersing. Then a fine, dry day across the Northwest Highland area with sunny spells. Cloudier conditions will edge into Skye and other mountains close to west coast.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 90% with the clouds mostly above the tops. Chances will become lower over hills on the west coast with occasional cloud cover drifting in at about 600 to 700m.

**Visibility:** Air will have great clarity resulting in excellent visibility.

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**Forecast for Thursday 17 Sep 2020**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1000** | 21/25 S | 23/30 SW | 21/27 SW | 18/24 SW | 15/20 SW | 15/19 SW | 13/17 SW |
| **900** | 22/26 S | 24/30 SW | 21/27 SW | 16/22 SW | 15/19 SW | 14/19 SW | 13/17 SW |
| **600** | 15/21 S | 17/25 SW | 16/22 SW | 13/18 SW | 9/14 SW | 11/15 S | 9/13 SW |
| **300** | 6/17 SW | 7/19 SW | 6/18 SW | 5/16 SW | 2/12 SW | 4/13 SW | 3/11 SW |
| **Glen** | 1/5 E | 3/10 S | 4/12 S | 7/11 W | 3/7 SW | 2/8 S | 2/5 S |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1000** | 9/6 | 9/5 | 10/7 | 10/7 | 10/7 | 9/6 | 9/6 |
| **900** | 10/6 | 9/5 | 11/7 | 11/8 | 11/8 | 10/7 | 9/7 |
| **600** | 12/9 | 11/8 | 13/10 | 13/11 | 12/11 | 12/10 | 11/9 |
| **300** | 12/11 | 14/12 | 16/16 | 16/16 | 14/14 | 12/12 | 12/11 |
| **Glen** | 14/14 | 15/15 | 17/17 | 18/17 | 16/16 | 14/14 | 13/13 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 2900m | 2900m | 2800m | 2700m | 2700m | 2700m | 2700m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**
A fine, dry day to be in the hills with light winds at all levels.

**Forecast for Friday 18 Sep 2020**
**Weather:** Another dry, bright morning with sunny spells and early mist patches at lower levels soon clearing. Cloudier conditions with a little drizzle will edge into the north Highlands in the afternoon, edging further south during the evening.

**Maximum wind:** Light winds at all levels, mainly southwesterly with average speeds of only about 10mph.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 90% reducing 50% in north of area by evening. Clouds become extensive in north later in the day around 600 to 700m.

**Visibility:** Very good although turning misty in north of area later in afternoon.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** 5 Celsius rising to 16 Celsius.
**At 800m:** Plus 9 Celsius
**Freezing level:** Above the tops.

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